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2. ON 30 AUGUST 1962, GERONIMO ESTEVEZ AND ALEJANDRO CJEDA,
"ALPHA 66" LEADERS IN SAN JUAN, TOLD SCURCE THAT THEIR PLANS FOR
LIMITARY ACTION AGAINST CUBA STILL STAND; THEY HAD RECENTLY RECEIVED A TELEPITALE CALL FROM MIAMI, FLORIDA, FROM ANDONIO VICTORIO
CLANCE, LEADER CF "ALPHA 66", WHO STATED "ALPHA 66" INTENDS Y. GO
ALEAD WITH PLANNED ACTIONS DESPITE CURRENTLY INTENSIFIED EFT. RTS
EXTUTE SERVED STATES GOVERNMENT TO RESTRAIN CUBAN EXILES, AND THAT
THE PIRST ACTION WILL BE COLE TIME BEFORE 22 SEPTEMBER 1962.

3. ACCORDING TO SCURCE, ALL "ALPHA 66" PLANS AND

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ACTIONS ARE BEING DIRECTED FROM MIAMI. DETAILS OR TIMING OF PLANS ARE NOT KNOWN TO "ALPHA 66" ELEMENTS IN SAN JUAN. IN LATE JULY 1962, "ALPHA 66" ELEMENTS IN SAN JUAN RECEIVED A SEALED ENVELOPE FROM VECIANA IN MIAMI, PURPORTEDLY CONTAIN-ING DETAILS OF THE FIRST ACTION OF "ALPHA 66". THE ENVELOPE WAS TO BE OPENED AT A PUBLIC RALLY AFTER THE ACTION WAS COMPLETED AND WAS CEREMONIOUSLY PLACED IN A SAFE DEPOSIT BOX. SOURCE STATED THE ACTUAL LOCATION OF THE SAFE DEPOSIT BOX IS KNOWN ONLY TO A FEW "ALPHA 66" MEMBERS IN SAN JUAN, AND IT MAY POSSIBLY BE IN THE SANTURCE BRANCH, BANCO DE PONCE, OR THE BANCO DE SAN JUAN. IN MID-AUGUST 1962, THE SAN JUAN MEMBERS OF "ALPHA 66" BECAME GREATLY DISCOURAGED DECAUSE OF LACK OF ACTION AND THEY PRESSED "ALPHA 66" LEADERS FOR AN EXPLANATION. THEY WERE TOLD BY ANTONIO VECIAGA FROM MIAMI THAT AN OPERA-TIONAL GROUP HAD ACTUALLY DEPARTED FOR AN ACTION RAID AGAIN. CUBA BUT WAS FORCED TO RETURN DUE TO "IMPERFECTION IN EQUIP-

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SAN JUAN MEMBERS OF "ALPHA 66" THEN PLANNED TO SEND A COMMISSION TO MIAMI TO GET A MORE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT BUT RECEIVED WORD FROM MIAMI ON 25 AUGUST 1962 THAT BECAUSE OF CURRENT "HEAT FROM UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES DUE TO RECENT INCIDENTS. "ALPHA 66" ACTIONS HAD BEEN POSTPONED.

4. ALSO ACCORDING TO SOURCE, AN "ALPHA 66" MEETING WAS CONDUCTED IN SAN JUAN BY GERONIMO ESTEVEZ ON NIGHT OF 30 AUGUST 1962 AND WAS ATTENDED BY ABOUT 200 CUBAN EXILES. THESE MEETINGS ARE HELD WEEKLY. AND IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT PLANS WILL BE REVEALED AT NEXT MEETING FOR RECRUITING YOUNG CUBANS IN VENEZUELA, PUERTO RICO, AND MIAMI, WANTEJ ARE MEN WHO NEED MINIMUM MILITARY TRAINING TO FORM RAIDER GROUPS FOR FUTURE ACTIONS. TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DIRECTORIU REVULUCIONARIO ESTUDIANTIL (DRE) WERE PRESENT, AND THEY ANNOUNCED THE DRE WAS PLANNING ADDITIONAL RAUS ON CUBA.

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- 7. ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE "ALPHA 66", CRGANIZATION RECEIVED BY THIS AGENCY WILL BE PROMPTLY FORWARDED TO ADDRESSEES. THIS AGENCY WILL APPRECIATE RECEIPT OF ANY INFORMATION ADDRESSEES MAY DEVELOP ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT.
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